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INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed August 22, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 16 as follows:

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16) (Amended) A replaceable ink container for use in an off axis printing system, the printing system being responsive to electrical signals produced by the replaceable ink container for controlling printing system parameters, the replaceable ink container having a leading edge defined as that edge of the replaceable ink container first received by the printing system, the replaceable ink container comprising:

a plurality of electrical contacts on the leading edge at a first side of the leading edge, the plurality of electrical contacts configured for engaging a plurality of corresponding electrical printer contacts of the printing system;

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a fluid outlet on the leading edge at a second side of the leading edge, wherein the first side and the second side are positioned adjacent opposite ends of the leading edge, such that the fluid outlet is separated from the plurality of electrical contacts, the fluid outlet being in fluid communication with the replaceable ink container and configured for engaging a fluid inlet of the printing system; and

an information storage device electrically connected to the plurality of electrical contacts.

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